(f) how many industries from Russia are taking part in the production of BrahMos missile?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (f) After a series of successful flight trails, the BrahMos missile has proved its efficacy against ship targets. A Letter of Interest has been placed on BrahMos Aerospace Pvt. Ltd. for inducting BrahMos Missiles for the installation on certain ships of the Navy. A number of Industrial units in India and Russia are involved in the production process.

Development of SEDS

4383. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry had received any proposal from Government of Karnataka in the year 2003 for development of Storm Water Drainage System (SEDS);

(b) if so, the reasons for not giving clearance to the proposal; and

(c) the time by when this Solid Waste Disposal Act is likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Local military authorities had requested the Bangalore Mahanagar Palika (BMP) to submit a detailed proposal which is awaited.

(c) there is no such proposal with the Ministry of Defence.

Strict Rules for Private Sector Aviation

4384. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether IAF has suggested to the Government to have strict rules for private sector aviation in the wake of recent accidents of Helicopters; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and steps taken by Government to strictly regulate private sector aviation to avoid accidents?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Leakage of Srinagar-Muzaffarabad bus passengers

†4385. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether list of passengers, who were to travel by the inaugural bus between Srinagar and Muzaffarabad was leaked; and

(b) if so, the action taken against the guilty officers?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Defence did not prepare the list of passengers who were to travel by the inaugural bus between Srinagar and Muzaffarabad. As per available reports list of passengers registered for Srinagar-Muzaffarabad inaugural bus journey was not leaked by the Indian side.

Problems in construction of ADS

4386. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Indian Navy has started constructing Air Defence Ship;

(b) whether it is also true that the date for steel cutting has already been fixed;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is true that the Government first decided to manufacture aircraft carrier of 10-12000 tonnes capacity;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether it is true that the Navy is facing some challenges on designing; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.